

Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development

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Lowest County Unemployment Rates

Quick Summary of Unemployment Rate:

United States	7.6%
State of Tennessee	7.6%
City of Kingsport	7.0%
Sullivan County	6.4%
Hawkins County	7.6%
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA MSA	6.9%
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA CSA	6.9%

Rank	County	Sep. pre. Rate (%)
1	Williamson Co.	5.2
2	Lincoln Co.	5.2
3	Knox Co.	5.9
4	Wilson Co.	6.2
5	Blount Co.	6.2
6	Rutherford Co.	6.2
7	Washington Co.	6.4
8	Sumner Co.	6.4
9	Sullivan Co.	6.4
10	Davidson Co.	6.6

CITY OF KINGSFORT	2007	2011	2012	Change (5 years)	Change (1 year)
Unemployment Rate	4.7%	8.4%	7.0%	2.3%	-1.4%
Construction Value***	\$88,560,394	\$68,017,382	\$52,592,528	-23.2%	-22.7%
Population**	44,758	48,205	50,851	7.7%	5.5%
Labor Force	19,310	19,640	20,730	7.4%	5.5%
Employed	18,400	17,980	19,270	4.7%	7.2%
Unemployed	910	1,650	1,460	60.4%	-11.5%

Unemployment (sorted low to high)	2007	2011	2012	Change (5 years)	Change (1 year)
Morristown, City of	6.4%	13.1%	10.1%	3.7%	-3.0%
Bristol (TN), City of	3.8%	9.5%	6.0%	2.2%	-3.5%
Carter County	4.6%	9.3%	7.4%	2.8%	-1.9%
Johnson City, City of	3.8%	8.5%	6.3%	2.5%	-2.2%
Cleveland, City of	6.1%	10.3%	7.8%	1.7%	-2.5%
Greene County	6.1%	12.4%	10.0%	3.9%	-2.4%
Tennessee, State of	4.4%	9.7%	7.6%	3.2%	-2.1%
Washington County	3.8%	8.3%	6.4%	2.6%	-1.9%
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol CSA	4.0%	8.5%	6.9%	2.9%	-1.6%
Maryville, City of	5.9%	8.1%	6.4%	0.5%	-1.7%
Johnson City MSA	4.1%	8.7%	6.9%	2.8%	-1.8%
Kingsport-Bristol MSA	3.9%	8.4%	6.9%	3.0%	-1.5%
Sullivan County	3.6%	8.1%	6.4%	2.8%	-1.7%
Hawkins County	4.0%	9.1%	7.6%	3.6%	-1.5%
U.S. unemployment	4.5%	8.8%	7.6%	3.1%	-1.2%
Oak Ridge, City of	3.7%	8.3%	7.0%	3.3%	-1.3%

Green = Positive

Yellow = Cautiously Optimistic

Red = Negative

**Available in July of following year, estimated for current year

***As reported on Building Permits